IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Niederberger et al.

Serial No. : 10/721,895

Filed: November 26, 2003

For : Bone Plate

Group Art Unit : 3775

Confirmation No. : 6293

Examiner : Michael J. Araj

Mail Stop: AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE UNDER RULE 116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 9, 2009, please consider the following remarks: